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Modeling, Simulation and Analysis

Focus Group 3 Outbrief

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GOAL: Examine MS&A needs, guidelines, and policy for acquisition and operations.



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Topics Addressed

- JMASS
- Training
- People
- Pedigreed Database
- Funding
- Technology
- Oversight



Joint Modeling & Simulation System Background Information



- JMASS is a standard M&S architecture
- Engagement and mission-level analysis
 - Common design allows reuse, interoperability
 - Avoids duplication and stovepiped solutions
- JMASS models are built by domain experts
 - Repository of validated model plus data
 - Developed models stored in a "reuse library" (MSRL)
- Funding and advocacy from AF/TE and AF/XOM



Joint Modeling & Simulation System JMASS

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Issue: Should JMASS compliance be mandated? **Recommendations**

- JMASS compliance be required for new systems models where digital system models do not exist (SAF/AQR)
- Endorse joint direction for JMASS (AF/XOM)
- Existing JMASS steering group will (AF/XOM):
 - Determine policy and review compliance requirement
 - Establish policy for model library management



Training Background Information



- CSAF tasked XO to ensure AF meets future training philosophy and needs including:
 - Simulators, models, databases
 - Live, virtual, and constructive elements
- XOM is focus for Distributed Mission Training
 - Must develop a comprehensive training plan
 - Must be executable within resource constraints
- Key topics: ADS, Embedded Training (ET), level of fidelity,
 realism, resource constraints, system performance degradation



Revolutionizing Training

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Issue: Should new weapon systems include embedded training capabilities?

Recommendations:

 Consider embedded training in systems development training plan

OPR: AF/XOM and SAF/AQR



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Issue: Should new weapon systems include advanced distributed simulation (ADS) capabilities?

Recommendations:

- Continue advanced concept testbeds (e.g. ACES)
- Address requirement for ADS early in system development
- Develop standards for advanced distributed systems (AF/XOM)
- If no significant cost penalty, program activities should be DIS/ADS compliant (including training simulators) (SAF/AQR)



Air Force M&S People Background Information



- M&S Career Field Does Not Exist
 - No APDP certification
 - No M&S AFSC
 - No specific M&S training, no requirements identified
- M&S not counted as Acquisition time
- Do we attract the best to "non-careers" in M&S?



Air Force M&S People

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Issue: Should there be an M&S AFSC?

Recommendations

- No new APDP stall, AFSC, or career path
- Establish SEI for M&S (AF/XOM, SAF/AQR)
- Investigate acquisition credit for M&S analysts (AF/XOM, SAF/AQR)
- Review training courses for M&S content and acceptability (SAF/AQR)



Pedigreed Database Background Information



- JAST established a Pedigree database
- Pedigreed Database demonstrates value
 - Aligned with goals of traceability and reuse
 - Infrastructure for MS&A
 - Supports standard legacy models & assumptions



Pedigreed Database

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Issue: Are pedigreed databases broadly applicable? **Recommendation:**

- Pedigree concept warrants further consideration
- Encourage AFAMS to investigate JSF's methodology (AF/XOM)
- Encourage AF users to use AFAMS for initial M&S search entry point (SAF/AQR)



M&S Funding in Acquisition Background Information



- M&S spending is a tempting bogey
 - PBD 870 targeted "duplicative" M&S money
 - M&S unable to defend itself
 - M&S is integrated into the acquisition process
 - No PE, appropriation, cost element



M&S Funding in Acquisition

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Issue: Should M&S funding in acquisition be captured? **Recommendations**

- Tracking of M&S funding in acquisition not recommended
- Not an AF unique problem (AF/XOM)
 - Work issues through EXCIMS (Acquisition Council)
- Focus on M&S efficiency (AF/XOM)
 - Encourage methods to reduce M&S duplication (e.g. AFAMS, JMASS, JSIMS, JWARS)

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Science and Technology for AF M&S Background Information



- No established M&S technology needs process
 - ESC is evolving the Technical Planning IPT (TPIPT)
- AFMC/ST currently assessing M&S S&T investment



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Issue: Should there be an S&T requirements process for M&S?

Recommendation:

- Continue to identify enabling technologies (e.g. current ongoing studies) (SAF/AQR)
- Challenge the TPIPT to determine M&S S&T needs (AF/XOM)



M&S Management Oversight Background Information



- Perception of uncoordinated M&S activities
 - CSAF vision for M&S
 - PBD 870 addresses duplication, excessive funding
- Need to define policy and lines of authority for Acquisition M&S
 - Advocacy
 - Funding



M&S Management Oversight

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Issue: How to clarify and define AF corporate policies regarding M&S oversight.

Recommendation

- Strengthen the AF leverage of EXCIMS (AF/XOM)
- Make AF Simulation and Analysis WG (AFSAWG) work (AF/XOM)
- Conduct an XOM & AQ (MAD/PEO/AQR) review to capture totality of M&S in acquisition (SAF/AQR)
 - Consider expanding to other functions (TE, LG, etc.)

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